

## **This Sun (13<sup>th</sup> July) Readings**

1st Reading –Deuteronomy 30: 10-14

Psalm –19

2nd Reading –Colossians 1: 15-20

Gospel – Luke 10: 25-37

## **Intentions**

6pm: Health & Wellbeing of the Pearson Family

9am The people of the Parish

11am In Thanksgiving (Mendez Family)

**Hymns for 11am Mass: 351, 608, 951, 663, 572, 238**

**Ent Antiphon** As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

**Psalm response:** Seek God, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.

**Alleluia, alleluia** Your words, O Lord, are Spirit and life; you have the words of eternal life. **Alleluia.**

**Comm** The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

Mon 10am Feria

Tue 10am St Bonaventure

Wed 10am Our Lady of Mt Carmel

Thu 10am Feria

Fri 8pm Feria

Grace RIP

Frances Nee RIP

Safe travels for Zoe and Family

Martin Diddams RIP

Pasqualina Scalera RIP

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2PM TO 10PM**

## **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

**Friday 7.15pm to 7.45pm/Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm**

## **Next Sun (20<sup>th</sup> July) Readings**

1st Reading –Genesis 18: 1-10

Psalm –15

2nd Reading –Colossians 1: 24-28

Gospel – Luke 10: 38-42

## **Intentions**

6pm: Birthday Blessings on Fr Bart Dudek

9am Happy Birthday Trevor Zinyuke

11am The People of the Parish

## **Deaths and Anniversaries**

Please pray for all those who have died recently, especially Anita Brookman and Frances Nee, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year: Anna Brolly, Timothy O'Dwyer, Carol Nihill, Anne Drake, Charles Paremain, Michael Murphy, Christopher Flynn, Kathleen West, Elaine Davey, Elizabeth True, Aileen Grovenor, Lilly May, Richard Condon, Rose Freestone, Nora Boulton and John McAuliffe. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

**Sick and Housebound:** We pray for all those who are sick and the housebound., and all those in our parish and their families. **St Simon Stock, keep them in your care**

**Mass Intentions:** Please make cheques payable to St Simon Stock Church. See website for details of how to make a bank transfer.

**100 Club (Parish Lottery)** - Cash Prizes to be won monthly! Annual Subscription £12 per number. July Winners £50 No. 359 = Kieran Magee £25 No. 366 = Agnieszka Mycka

**Parish Gift Aid Scheme:** If you wish your offertory and other donations to be gift-aided please contact Sandra Rocco on 07720 772089

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# Newsletter

## **Parish notices:**

1. The 2<sup>nd</sup> collection this weekend is for Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea). Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. Today the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church, by visiting [www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate](http://www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate) or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give generously. Thank you.
2. Please could people with red missio boxes bring them to mass next weekend 19/20 July and give them to Adrian or Catherine Hockney before you enter the church. Please do not leave any full boxes in the church. If you are unable to bring them next weekend and your boxes are full please ring 01634 862877; or email: [adrianhockney@btinternet.com](mailto:adrianhockney@btinternet.com)) and he will arrange to collect them. Empty boxes can be collected on 26/27 July.

## **2<sup>ND</sup> ARCHDIOCESAN DIACONAL DAY**

This Sunday we are also celebrating our second Archdiocesan Diaconal Day, during which we pray for the Permanent Deacons serving in our Archdiocese as well as praying for new vocations to this ministry. If you are a man between 21 and 58 years, prayerful, with the desire to love God and God's people, you are involved in services within your parish and community, you have tried many things and still feel drawn to a closer relationship with Christ and His Church, you might possibly be called to be a Permanent Deacon? If you require further info about the Permanent Diaconate, please speak to your Parish Priest, your Parish Deacon, or contact the Diaconate Formation Director via e-mail: [ianblack@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:ianblack@rcaos.org.uk).

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**Please note: Parish Office is located in the new church extension**

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St Benedict's

Mrs. S. L. McAlpine 01634 669700

St Thomas More

Mrs. P Le Breton 01634 864701

## Parish News

### APPLICATION FORMS FOR THE 2025/2026

#### FIRST RECONCILIATION & HOLY COMMUNION AVAILABLE NOW

We will be starting the next preparation in September for those children who are baptised Catholic and our parishioners, in Year 3 and above in September 2025. Please ask for an application form after weekend Masses. Each application is numbered and it is one per child. Please do not take an application for any other family but your own. **The Meeting for parents to hand in the applications forms personally to Fr Pawel is ON MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm and IS THE ONLY TIME YOUR APPLICATION CAN BE HANDED IN.**

#### NEW RCIA COURSE STARTING IN SEPTEMBER

Do you or anyone you know want to explore the Catholic Faith further or become a full member of the Catholic Church? Join us this year as we embark on another RCIA course (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), where we will journey with you in faith exploration, as you get to know Jesus on a personal level, through scripture, witness and the teachings of the Catholic Church. For more info please speak to Fr Pawel or Denise Smith.

#### FR PAWEL'S FAREWELL

**11am Mass on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August** is Fr Pawel's Farewell Mass here at St Simon Stock. Afterwards we will be having a celebration in the parish hall. There is a list at the back of church for people to sign up for food to bring.

#### MEDWAY FOODBANK NEWS:

Medway Foodbank want to thank us for all our recent donations of fruit, but for the next couple of months they would now like us to become **TINNED VEGETABLE CHAMPIONS**. This means they would like us to donate tins of vegetables e.g. peas, sweetcorn, mushrooms, mixed vegetables, tomatoes, potatoes and beans (**no baked beans please**) Thank you all parishioners for your continuing generosity to those in need in Medway.

#### 14<sup>TH</sup> MEDWAY ST SIMON STOCK SCOUT GROUP APPEAL FOR LEADERS

We are looking for new leaders as several members of the group are stepping down after many years' service to the Scouts. If you are interested in volunteering please see the notice you can pick up from the table next to the main entrance.



#### When I need help...

In these difficult times when finances are stretched to the limit, it is our Christian duty to help others. If you need financial support, please call Fr Pawel on the parish mobile or speak to him confidentially in person.

## Community Events

Sun 13 Jul	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection for Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea)
Mon 14 Jul	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm
Tue 15 Jul	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm
Wed 16 Jul	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2PM – 10PM
Thu 17 Jul	Beavers/Cubs/Scouts from 5.30pm onwards term time only Finance Meeting in Parish Office at 6.30pm Adult Choir Practice in the Church at 8pm.
Fri 18 Jul	Children's Choir in the church at 4.30pm term time only
Sun 20 Jul	No 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT 11AM MASS
Mon 21 Jul	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm
Tue 22 Jul	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm
Wed 23 Jul	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION 2PM – 10PM
Thu 24 Jul	Beavers/Cubs/Scouts from 5.30pm onwards term time only Adult Choir Practice in the Church at 8pm.
Fri 25 Jul	Children's Choir in the church at 4.30pm term time only Social Team Meeting in the Parish Office at 6pm.
Sat 26 Jul	Baptism Course in the Parish Hall 10am to 1pm
Sun 27 Jul	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection for the Development Fund

### Prayer for Peace

Father in Heaven, have mercy on us and on the whole world! You sent Your Son, the Prince of Peace, for the salvation of the world. We pray that the Peace of Christ will reign in the whole world. Please protect and send aid to those who are at-risk. We pray for peace - we pray for all who are working towards it and for all who are in danger from these conflicts. We pray for an end to violence and war, we pray for wisdom for all leaders who have a hand in this. Lord God, please help those in most need of your mercy. Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Peace, pray for us! Saint Joseph, Protector of Mary, Jesus and the Church, pray for us! Lord Jesus, Prince of Peace, may your kingdom reign in all the world. Amen.